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View of the Columbia Rail-Road Bridge, over the Susquehanna

The construction of this bridge, designed to carry the Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore and Columbia Rail-Road, was commenced in 1831, under the direction of Col. Small commissioner, the whole work being undertaken by the authority, and at the expense of the State. The first contract made for little progress before they abandoned the undertaking, probably because they had not carefully ascertained the difficulties of the enterprise, and because their contract was too low. The second contract, for these same reasons, also gave up the work before any considerable progress had been made. It was then placed in the charge of Messrs. Dodd, Hobart & Britton, who went into the undertaking in 1833, and the design of the bridge was drawn by Major Wright, assisted by H. R. Campbell, Esq.

Mr. Babb was the sub-contractor for constructing the work. The dimensions of the bridge are as follows.

Whole length	1060 feet
Width	40 feet 6 inches

Height, above the water, about 63 feet.
Height of the rail from the floor, about 15.
The bridge rests on nine piers, the height of the highest of which, above the water, about 63 feet, is now low, as individuals seated on the top of the highest pier, can see the tops of the lowest piers.

The piers are six in number, besides the two abutments. They stand in a diagonal position to the stream. In making the foundations, coffer dams were used for pumping the water from the coffer dams. In excavating for the piers, the materials were, to the depth of thirty feet, the stump of a tree was found completely embedded in the clay. It is also stated that the course of the stream has been diverted, consiederably, from its original channel. Below high water mark round has been found a Roman cement, resembling that used in the Coliseum.

The cost of the Bridge has been stated to as follows, viz.

Wood work	$42,000
Stone work, average of each	10,000
Whole cost of piers and bridge	107,000

The Bridge is built entirely of wood, except the burden bars are liable to accident in coming in contact with the upper frame work of the bridge. This defect may, however, be remedied by raising the road bed. The whole work is neat and substantial, and the manner of the piers remarkably imposing. The superiority of the piers remarkably imposing. The superiority of the piers remarkably imposing. The superiority

NEW BRIGHTON and BEAVER
Town Lots, for sale.

NEW BRIGHTON is one of the most flourishing young towns of the Beaver River, about four miles above it, situated on the Falls of Beaver River, about four miles from the mouth of the Ohio, in Beaver county, Pa. It is the nearest and nearest approach to Lake Erie. It is also the nearest and nearest approach to Lake Erie. It is also the nearest and nearest approach to Lake Erie. It is also the nearest and nearest approach to Lake Erie. It is also the nearest and nearest approach to Lake Erie.

The Water Power of the Beaver River is sufficient to work 1,000 run of stones, and has the advantage of a never failing supply of water, and cheaper, water and internal improvements, considered or rapidly increasing. It must therefore inevitably soon become one of the greatest manufacturing places in the United States. Many valuable sites for manufactories are established, and arrangements are making for increasing the water.

The town of New Brighton is located on a beautiful plain, rising in terraces from the water, and is in every respect a delightful place of residence.

The canal from the Ohio to Erie, which is completed in whole, and the remainder to be speedily finished, passes through the town. The Rail Road from the Ohio to Cross Cut Canal, now progressing, will in a short time pass to Newcastle, and thence to the great Ohio Canal, which crosses into Lake Erie at Cleveland. The Sandy and Beaver Canal, and the continuation of Pennsylvania Canal from Fairburn will also form a junction with this canal at the mouth of Big Beaver.

Rail roads leave the mouth of Big Beaver to Connecticut, to Cleveland, to Ashtabula, to Erie, (all flourishing towns on the Lake Erie,) and to Pittsburg, have been surveyed by laws, and a connection with the great southern New York Rail road is expected, all forming a grand combination of internal improvements, convenient to one another, and to New Brighton, which will be the centre. It will be materially benefitted by the location and new manufacturing establishments. Builders and Manufacturers are invited, and will find it a most advantageous location.

It is believed by well informed persons, that New York and Philadelphia will construct a continued canal from the great and rapidly increasing trade of the Western States, that line is the nearest and best route for New York business to reach the Ohio—and citizens of New York have already subscribed liberally to the stock.

The grain from 1 part of Ohio and west from Pittsburg will be brought to Erie, Cleveland, and for a market either to Philadelphia, to New York, or to the Ohio. The Pennsylvania canal is ready to supply the town on the Ohio, the Pennsylvania canal is ready to supply the town on the Ohio, the Pennsylvania canal is ready to supply the town on the Ohio, the

Enlargement of THE SATURDAY EVENING POST, To Mammoth Size.

EARLY in July, the S. E. Post, which has so long sustained a high character, will be enlarged to THIRTY-TWO COLUMNS, and enlarged decidedly in its appearance.

The same will be its unrivalled advantages of choice Engravings, Original Tales, Reviews, Poetry, &c. with the addition of the original matter which its extension will require will be spread.

The terms will be as heretofore, $2.00 a year when paid in advance—$2.50 at the expiration of six months, and $3.00 if not paid during the year.

In July will be commenced the publication of a

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The most prominent and popular features of this periodical will be found all over the country in a few months. We shall permit the numerous periodicals proposed in consequence of the success of this, to take their ground. We will not make our chief peculiarity known, as we do not intend to be indebted for our success to imitation.

A large portion of the Atlas and Post will be made up of matter which will be published in the Saturday Evening Post, and vice versa.

In the means of enterprise combining resources, we do not intend to be outdone by any publication.

We can take no month label and letter as others, and will not stop the publication of any number to economize.

Terms of the Atlas and ——— Three Dollars a year in advance. Agents are allowed the usual commission. Free of postage or charges, on subscribing for 5 copies at $15 00 in advance. Address, CHARLES ALEXANDER.

* Our friends who exchange with us, are requested to give the above a few insertions. my 20—

Philadelphia Prices Current.

FRIDAY MORNING, MAY 27, 1836.

Corrected for the Saturday Evening Post, by Robt. T. Beck, Secretary of the Board of Brokers, Philadelphia Exchange Reading Room.

ASHES.		Sugar-house	6½ 7½
Pot.....	6	do. N. York	6½ 7½
Pearl.....	6	do. Orleans	6½ 7½
BUTTER.		do. Nassau	7½
Lump.....	17 18	Powdered	8½ 9
Extra firkin.		Loaf	9½ 10
No. 1.....		Havana brown	8 8½
No. 2.....		Brazil	7½ 8
No. 3.....		Havana White	9 9½
CANDLES.		Manilla	8½ 9
Sperm, mould.	22	Java	8½ 9
Sperm, dipped	20	TEAS.	
Tallow, mould	12	Hyson	45 50
Tallow, dipped	11	Young Hyson	45 50
COFFEE, duty free		Hyson Skin	30 35
Rio	9	Imperial	60 70
Laguira	9	Gunpowder	60 70
Java	12	Hyson, old	40
COTTON, duty free		Young Hyson, do	40
Orleans	10	Fine ordinary	30
Alabama	10	Common do	25
Mobile	10	Do Bohea	30
Tenn. and Texas	9½	Do Congou	30
N. C. and Va.	10	Do Souchong	35
Upland	9½	TOBACCO.	
FREIGHTS		Virginia, leaf	6
To Pittsburgh, per canal		Manufactured	7
per ton	50	Kentucky, leaf	6
FLOUR and MEAL		Manufactured	7
Superfine, bbl.	5 62½	Ohio, leaf	5
Fine	5 25	WHISKEY	
Rye	4 62	Hhds. in bond	23
Alabama	4 75	do. in bbls.	23
Meal, Penn.	4 12½	Bbls. in bond	25
Meal, in bbls	10 20	WOOL	
GRAIN		Merino, factory	
Wheat		do.	
Pen Northern	90 91	Am. wash. full blood	60 65
Do. Rye	70 75	do. three fourths	55 60
Do South brush	32 1 34	do. blood	45
Do. Corn	78 79	do. half blood	40 45
Do. I. C. Yellow	82 83	Am. unwashed full blood	40 45
Do. I. C. round	80	do. three fourths	35 40
Oats Pa.	41 44	do. blood	30
Southern		do. half blood	25
Barley Eastern		Spin'g pulled lambs	36 36
Rye Penn.	70	Spin'g pulled	30 36
Corn, new		No. 1	33
Corn, old	1	No. 2	30
Corn, white	1	No. 3	25
New Orleans	67 68	do. lambs	30

ALEXANDER'S SATURDAY EVENING POST.

PHILADELPHIA:

Saturday, May 28, 1836.

The publisher of this paper having left Philadelphia for the West, has placed the Saturday Evening Post under the superintendance of a literary gentleman who will use his utmost exertions to keep up its reputation during his temporary absence.

NICE MEN.

The Hon. S. D. Carver has absconded from Canada, Canal sequestrations and sequestrations for subscriptions. His repeated fair promises are the only excuse we can give for suffering him to be out in that situation so long.

Mr. Albert Strong has left the same place for the West." He is indebted for 14 months subscription, $2.00. Our friends in the West are requested to pay his memory when they see him.

Some importunent scoundrel falsely stating himself to be W. H. Boyd, endeavored to get us to publish the marriage of his sister, with Dr. John Brokey, it turns out to be a false report altogether. We beg to inform the perpetrator of this wounderfully base trick that detection is pretty sure and he may be certain that we shall "more upon so nice river." Let him look for no mercy at our hands.

A MONARCH.—Last week Jame. O'Rourke, residing in Baker street, Moyamensing, abused and maimed his wife in so shocking a manner that the Grand Jury found a bill. The case is a double instance of cruelty, upon being brought before a magistrate, O'Rourke is described as having his face covered with blood, and his wife in a state of completely crimsoned to the elbow in his wife's gore.

FIRE AND LOSS OF LIFE.

Another fire broke out on the premises of N. Lenox & Co. South Front, corner of Taylor's alley, on the 24th inst. about 2 o'clock, and spread with the rapidity with which the flames spread, it is feared that several houses would have been destroyed, but for the energetic exertions of the firemen, and imposing—the frequent explosions—the rich and colored flames, shooting out in resplendant beauty from the ignited drugs and chemicals rendered the scene altogether adequately interesting. The firemen were promptly on the spot, and exerting themselves with that untiring zeal for which they are so justly celebrated, succeeded in confining the fire to the premises from which it broke out. Whilst engaged in their various laborious duties, the roof fell in and buried two men in the ruins, one named Bright was extricated by sawing through some planks which an assistant had placed on the roof for the purpose, but the other, we regret to say perished before assistance could be rendered him. His name was Alexander Smith.

Monday.—The firemen still playing on the smoking ruins, Mr. Lennig, the proprietor of the store told them to desist, changing them, it is said, with robbing him, by the destruction of his goods in consequence of the water they were pouring on them. The firemen highly indignant at the charge left accordingly, and about half past 8 the fire broke out again.

Tuesday.—The fire raging furiously, the majority of the firemen refusing to play upon the premises of Mr. Lennig—much confusion and destruction of property is consequence—the Mayor and officers on the spot, and the firemen being induced to resume their labours the fire in a few hours however got under the whole of the property of Mr. Lennig is destroyed. This is the most destructive fire with which we have been afflicted for some years.

SUDDEN DEATH.

A young man named Benjamin Pittman, a clerk in the employment of Mr. Brower, Bandmaster of Manchester of New York, recently absconded with upwards of $1400, the property of his employer, arrived in Philadelphia early last week, and while walking in Second street, was suddenly seized with spasms and fell dead. A professional visit at Boston, discovered the deceased, arrested and introduced him to Mr. B. who recovered his money and released him.

UNION AGENCY.

We have received a letter from Geo. K. Myers, from an institution bearing the above name, modestly requested us to insert a number of advertisements without inclosing the necessary circulating medium to render such act apparent available. We do not know what the incomprehensible society take us for, it is no compliment to our understanding. The letter is signed by a Mr. S. Hamilton *Agent for Philanthropy*—he has not extended it to us—a Mr. Jno. Carpenter *Agent for Fidelity*—we have not yet met that he has not at present received any stock, and Mr. Jno. Carpenter *Agent for Fidelity*—we wished he had distributed enough of it to have paid the postage of the letter we have been inflicted with. The most singular circumstance to us men of business is that the whole of these signatures are written in the same hand; now we have been in the habit of seeing different persons write, at least somewhat differently—but these write all alike. Is this a peculiar province of the members of this union! It is notice contained in a paper issued by them they say—"Agents will not be employed but we have confidence in a promise made over the official seal of the Union Agency, will be regarded as equivalent to the bond."

We fear we must be considered as enemies, for we cannot insert any advertisement without the same upon which we have often attested a little more formally then it now is.

HYDROPHOBIA.

During the last week a dog was killed in Locust street in a rabid state, after making several attempts to bite those in its course, who, being a strong muscular man, restrained its fury until a rope could be procured, by which the dog was secured and afterwards destroyed.

The number of dogs that prowl about the streets at this season, with their parched tongues hanging from their dry mouths, is sufficient to strike terror into the hearts of all who have the fear of that most awful death, Hydrophobia, before their eyes. Every dog at once ought to be secured and plentifully supplied with water and all that are seen unmuzzled in the streets should be destroyed.

Another dog supposed to be mad was killed at the fire in South Second street, but not before it had bitten several of the firemen. Some steps should be taken immediately for the protection of the lives of the citizens—they are imperatively called for.

Since writing the above we find that the matter has been taken up by the proper authorities. A notice has been issued from the Mayor's office signed by his Honor—that every dog going at large in the streets after the present day unmuzzled and without having the owner's name attached to a collar fastened round its neck will be taken and killed. This is as it ought to be—at least as far as regards the muzzling. We advise all persons possessing valuable dogs not to trust to their influence, but to instruct their servants forthwith in the regulations.

RAIL ROADS IN ENGLAND.

A proposed rail road from London to the Lands-end, entitled London, Salisbury, Plymouth and Falmouth railway, is the theme of general conversation in London. This gigantic undertaking is, it is said "pregnant with advantages beyond the most comprehensive mind to grasp. The Atlas speaking of rail roads says

"Prometheus is no longer a fable; see how the giant labour of mind have hard he laboure—the slave of man and the conqueror of time. Prepare the ways before him and he will overcome space. Days have become years, and man lives a life in his brief career. And the longest lived of his progenitors numbered too few years to accomplish. Thus the philosophy of rail roads and steam engines facilitates locomotion, annihilates space they lengthen a man's life; for they enable him within the lamited period of his residence on earth to do the work of a life, that without aid of years could have enabled him without their aid to effect.

There are now says the N. Y. Evening Post, forty steamships at sea, or in port, which find constant employment. There being no combinations to obtain high prices for passage, the fare for cabin is them is much reduced.—The cabin passage from Buffalo to Liverpool, for instance, but to be now building in the town of Erie, in Pennsylvania, and steamer of a larger class, the old brig Detroit is fitting up to run between Buffalo and Chicago, connecting with steamers at each end. A new steamboat is about to be built of six hundred tons burthen. The emigration to the West by way of the lakes is very great. Even three to five steamboats pass by Erie daily, all loaded with passengers and goods to the utmost of their capacity. Great numbers go by schooners and other craft, and thousands by land.

Yes, thousands are pressing onwards daily to the rich and beautiful lands west of the Alleghanies, and while they leave the luxurious homes of their fathers, they deem the 'promised land' to be the farthest spot they can hear of, on the borders of civilization passing by many equally desirable places for a residence in their route. We have sincerely and conscientiously expressed a belief, that Beaver county Pa. possesses as many good, healthy, and desirable farms and farms; and the scite of a great city on the falls and mouth of Beaver River, as good a place for Manufactures and Manufactories as is to be found in the whole country. It is worth looking at, at least, by some of the numerous hires swarming to the west.

The Cotton Factory that was built by a wealthy land holder in that region, the propriety of holding out inducements to good mechanics, to settle in that place, is worthy of notice.

"You ask me about giving encouragement to Carpenters, and other Mechanics—such workmen are scarce and are hard to get—we have to pay such high prices for their labour, we think no other encouragement is necessary to induce them to come out here—but if other was necessary I would not give them—we have to pay them down a rule for myself, which forbids of my personally ever having any thing to do with a liquor man of any kind—all here are getting rich, and right prosperous—work of all kinds is abundant, and labour of all kinds is in demand; at good wages—and next year there is to be a heavier influx to the United States, and few which promises so much as to the Mechanic. I would say to any working man, for the future: what more would you."

SALES OF STOCKS.

This week at the Stock and Exch. Board of Brokers.

1034 shares	United States Bank,	114½	100
44 do.	Philadelphia Bank,	103½	100
138 do.	Farm. & Mech. Bank,	99	50
50 do.	Girard Bank,	65	50
200 do.	Schuylk'l Bank,	104½	80
50 do.	Girard Bank,	65	50
109 do.	Western Bank,	103½	50
50 do.	North American Bank,	100	50
4 do.	Pennsylvania Bank,	57½	57½ 600
50 do.	Louisville Bank,	104½	100
75 do.	Kentucky Bank,	65	50
50 do.	Farmers Bank, Tennessee,	74½	100
90 do.	Union Bank, Tenn.		75
9350 do.	Del. & Hudson Canal,	99	100
10 do.	Camden & Amboy R. R.	129½	100
100 do.	Lehigh Coal & Navigation,	57½	50
349 do.	New Castle Rail Road,	32½	25
1000 do.	Pennsylvania Loan,	104½	100
1137 do.	Morris Canal,	92½	100
100 do.	Schuylk'l Navigation,		50
27 do.	Schuylk'l Nav. Co.	16½	16½ 50
1 do.	Pennsylvania Loan,	104½	104
$2,000	Lehigh Loan, 5 per cts,	1830	100
$9,00	State, 5 per cents,	1845	100
$1000	do. do.	1841	100
$2000	do. do.	1854	100
$4000	do. do.	1858	100
$17,75	Lehigh Loan,		100

THE WORLD.—A great toy, kept on perpetual bustle by arrivals and departures; by the going away of those who have just paid their debt of nature; and by the coming of those who will soon have a similar account to settle.

LITERARY NOTICES.

THE last Dunan in the life of a Distressed Gentleman is the title of a little work which we have received from Messrs. Leavitt, Lord & Co. of N. York. The title fully explains the nature of the work, we shall proceed at once to give an extract, and let it speak for itself.

LOTTERIES.

Every body has heard of the honest Hiberian, who, in order to ensure the highest prize, determined to purchase the whole lottery; and although Mr. Wheelwright did not exactly form the same resolve, yet he undoubtedly intended to do so. The golden dream of the heathen poets, in which Jove once descended, was but a little prophetic of the joy with the event of that precious metal, soon to flow into his coffers. But alas! the goddess, being blind, not only failed to discern his peculiar claims upon her regard, but was even deaf to his prayers. Mr. Wheelwright purchased the ticket which drew the hundred thousand dollars, into his own pocket; the manager failed, and thereby turned all the prizes into blanks;—and Mr. Daniel Webster had to hand back the gold that he had in bottom of the wheel, when he least anticipated such a downfall. He was there, on his return to N. York, again in the condition of Bob Logic, "with pockets as full of rags as they could stick." He was disappointed over him, and imbued him with its poetry. His delineation of the Indian Turk, who makes wealthy an excuse for his inherent nastiness, is also commonly good, and his description of the effects produced by taking laudanum powerful in the extreme. Amongst the countless incidents with which the work abounds, we scarcely know what to select, but give a natural preference to a high encomium passed on our distinguished countryman, the late Mr. Eckford.

Passing under the stern of one of the huge ships which are moored in the harbour, the Indian and I were introduced to the Capudan Pasha, by our worthy countryman Mr. Eckford. I have had many dealings and the welcome borne will long whisper upon the ear of the native of the master of the master.

Messrs. Carey, Lea & Blanchard, have just sent us number 35 of the American Journal for May. There are thousands greatly interested in this interesting work, and to that most especial notice we recommend it.

FACTORIES VS WORKS—Northern 7 and 8 of the popular authors works received from Messrs. Harper and Brothers of New York, through their agent Mr. Henry Perkins, of Chestnut street is living upon our table. Each number is a curiosity, one of the most popular of that esteemed author's productions, we see that they have certainly retained it's power to the appearance of every number.

SKETCHES OF SWITZERLAND.—We have received from Messrs. Carey, Lea & Blanchard, a new work, entitled, Scenes in Switzerland, by Cooper, the American novelist. The publication is one of high and universal popularity, both in this and in the old country. A more loveable writer does not exist, he is amongst the first and of literary merit is amongst Pastors, and Crabbe amongst poets, the

"Sternest, but the best."

The public will take up the work from the mere announcement of the author's name, with the same avidity that we do, for they, like us have been with him in spirit, and have dwelled at home, in the prairie, and the banana of the red men of the forest—they have been with him in his voyages, and we were to be by the midst of it. He was in such a storm that I could almost imagine I felt the motion of the vessel—I felt as if I complained of the whole, and commencing himself as the pilot, he was dead and he got the better of him, and he was dead, declared that no man in said district, should be allowed to attend, or take any part at their proceedings. He considered this explanation necessary, as he was the report purported to have been agreed to unanimously.

The Senate was one part of the report from which he entirely dissented. From the reading of the report, he thought it was set forth that the disbursements were low, and their efforts insignificant. In this he did not concur with the committee. He must contend that it was believed there were large numbers of abolitionists, and that they were increasing. That feeling was with him the usual enemy, Mr. Buchanan with his usual good sense, and Mr. Fenton with his usual ability.

After some time, the Senate determined to count on the resolutions, and ask for another conference.

Messrs Calhoun, King of A. and Nicholas were appointed on the part of the Senate.

The Indian appropriation bill was then read a third time and passed. The bill making appropriations for the Army was read a 2nd time and referred. The Senate after going into Executive business, adjourned.

On Saturday the Senate received a message from the House agreeing to a committee of conference—Mr. My letter is so very long that I cannot give any particulars, only I gather from it, that the report is more favorable than one agreed, and the House and Senate have accepted their modifications with a very few unimportant clause, and have both concurred in it.

Mr. Preston Brooks Hill crawled out of a little further to day, at last there being no quorum the Senate adjourned.

In the House, on Monday, the Kentucky resolutions were taken up, as if it had been a retrograde day, were laid on the table. The Fortification Bill was then taken up in committee of the whole. Mr. Mercer resumed his remarks, and warned to-day with a review of the Seed Bill, and a speech of Mr. Wise, a member of Mr. Van Buren. The gentleman talked a long time, but I did not hear a sentence connected with anything. He made the bullet use of his power as a speaker to declare, that he had never heard the man spoken so badly, and called names like an Irish mob. Among others, he attacked Mr. Whittier. Now, I am not acquainted with that gentleman personally, and have not the honour of his acquaintance, but as I set out to write the truth smartishly, I will say, that since Mr. *Adams*, who is the only man I know of in politics, from a disagreement of his principles, has been proved guilty unintentionally, no doubt) of the same mistake; I believe that Mr. Whittier is one of the gentlemen in the House (with the exception, perhaps, of Mr. Wise) who would not be ashamed to own that he had taken agent. After dwelling on the distance banks I believe, some time, he gave way to Mr. Pickens, Mr. Pickens pounced upon the speech of Mr. Clay, thinking he had a right to pounce upon it, as it was a public document, a most corrupt act of which, than the party now in power, never existed! He "fell on Amock" at every body in this way, among the rest, he attacked Mr. Mercer (who had spoken some days before speaking) and reproached the principles brought forward by him, as being those of the Federal party, and that they were abominable, to any thing more than they actually possessed. Mr. Mercer replied in a few words, and the House resolved the committee till there was no quorum, and the committee rose and reported the bill to the House—so the House thought it best to adjourn, and the House followed suit. Mr. Mercer moved to adjournment, and while they were calling the yeas and nays, the whole affair was terminated, so the speaker descended to a level with the House. Mr. Mercer, I believe, was not interrupted at some removed the mace, which by the way transpires like nearly a load a-beside, and Mr. Pickens continued his speech. He continued speaking till eight o'clock in the evening, then he was tired out, and put off the remainder, and concluded.

I can hear nothing new—every body is talking about Texas. Mr. or Dr. White, who was the hero a short time since, now wears a very subordinate part in the newspapers. Mr. Hannegan and Lieutenant Sounder, who have acted so gallant a part, have been rewarded by the President, one by a commission in the army, and the other by a commission in the navy. Mr. Wise, we believe, has not yet received his reward.

The President is in good health and spirit, able, and for ought I know, willing to undertake a third term of Presidency, or a campaign against the Americans.

RECEIPTS BY MAIL.

May 20, received from		E. J. Whitney, Esq.,	1 00
Mrs. Jane Porter,	20 00	Mrs. Ann Lee,	1 00
A. M. Beaubien,	10 00	John S. Pickrin, esq.	5 00
Samuel Perkins, Esq.	1 00		
John Hede, Esq.	1 00	Samuel Bettelle,	2 00
Mrs. Ann Lee,	1 00	Mrs. Ann Lee,	1 00
Bowers Buckmaster,	2 00	Ethan Allen, Esq.	2 00
Mrs. Ann Lee,	1 00	John Mifflin,	2 00
B. Vanandell, esq.	3 00		
May 21.		Geo. J. A. Schlosser,	10 00
S. A. Towne,	4 00	A. K. Witmer, Esq.	5 00
James S. Clark,	2 00	Mrs. Ann Lee,	1 00
Wm. H. Hollenshead,	2 00	J. P. Scruggs, Esq.	2 00
E. D. Mentz, Esq.	5 00	Mrs. Ann Bertram,	1 00
J. M. Hadden, Esq.	2 00	John M. King, Esq.	2 00
Mrs. Ann Lee,	1 00	Mrs. Ann Lee,	1 00
Joseph Carew, jr.	5 00		
James E. Heyl, esq.	2 00	White & Co.	10 00
John Bathop, Esq.	5 00	J. Mitchell, Esq.	15 00
Mrs. Ann Lee,	1 00	Mrs. Ann Lee,	1 00
Mrs. Ann Lee,	1 00	Thos. Wm. Esq.	10 00
Guy H. Bell, P. M.	5 00	Wm. S. Hilles,	5 00
Lewis Riggs, Esq.	2 00	Charles Keen,	300
C. H. Winder, Esq.	2 00	Robert H. Carr, Esq.	2 00
C. D. Benton,	5 00		

CONGRESSIONAL.

A FISH STORY—EXTRAORDINARY.

It appears that the "Big Fish" in the House rose almost to eat up the little ones. On his coming there was a Catfish caught in the river weighing 170 lbs. and not only that, when opened, there was a big shoulder of bacon found in it, which had no doubt been lost from some unlucky part of said flesh worth $4.50. Also, another was caught on the 21st inst. weighing only 70 lbs. and on opening it, there was found a large pike fish, 18 inches long, and two whole ducks, with all the feathers on them.

This would appear to be a "fat story" of some doubt—but there can be found eight or ten persons who will certify to the above, if necessary.

PANDUSKY.

Pekin, Ill. April, 1836.

CORRESPONDENCE OF THE S. E. POST.

WASHINGTON, May 25th, 1836.

On Monday in the Senate, Mr. Preston addressed the Senate in his usual felicitous style, on the affairs of Texas, and was that day particularly animated. He advocated the Texas cause, but while he declared that all his sympathies were enlisted in favor of the inhabitants of Texas, he wished to be understood as not prepared to go the lengths required by the North American resolutions. He wished to avoid the rule of action a little longer. Mr. F. concluded by expressing his sorrow for the misfortunes of Gen. Houston, and his thanks for the manner in which he was treated in the memorial. Mr. Walker of Mississippi followed, and spoke for some time on the same side of the house. A question can be called. He contended that the territory of Texas belonged, or ought to have belonged to the United States, and repealed to the form of the land, the crookedness of the Sabine river, &c. in support of his opinion.

Though I admire the patriotic feelings of the gentleman from Mississippi, I cannot but acknowledge that his argument sounds mighty like that of old Dumbledyke, in relation to the heiress of Dead Deacon and widow Bagby: viz. "That God intended that they with the land of Dumbledykes, should be the property of one man!"

Fifty-eight bills from the House were read twice and referred, after which the Senate went into Executive Business with closed doors.

On Tuesday, Monday also, Mr. Shubley presented the credentials of the Hon. John Niles, elected by the Legislature of Connecticut, to supply the vacancy occasioned by the death of Governor Wolcott. Mr. Niles was sworn and he took his seat.

On Tuesday, Mr. Buchanan presented thirteen memorials from citizens of Philadelphia, praying for the acknowledgment of the Independence of Texas. Mr. Wilkins, of Pennsylvania, moved that the memorials be referred to the resolution of the Senate on the subject of Texas, to consider the propriety of the recognition of the Texas Government.

From the same publishers we are also indebted for one of the most interesting books of the season a work in two volumes entitled "Lionel Lincoln, or the Walter Colton, U. S. N. author of Ship and Shore."

His description of Grosse is altogether very beautiful and evinces a power of reading.

Mr. Preston from the committee on Foreign Affairs, reported a bill for the appointment of one of those additional paymasters of the army, which was read twice and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading. Some resolutions were introduced by different Senators, when on motion, the Senate went into Executive business, and when the doors were opened, adjourned.

The Senate on Wednesday was promptly occupied for the bill making appropriations for the Army. The pertinent, considerable conversation took place on the propriety of renewing the Indian treaties in the southern of the Missouri. Messrs. White, King, Calhoun, Porter and Linn were the principal speakers. At a late hour time the Senate went into the Executive business, adjourned to Monday.

Owing to indisposition I was unable to attend the Senate for two or three days. I made no observation I was able to go for a short time.

Mr. Preston reported from before the House, Mr. Robertson who was entitled to the floor, addressed the House at length on the subject advocating the report proposal to send the report back to the committee with instructions to report that Congress has no constitutional power to abolish slavery in the District. Mr. Robertson speaker till interrupted by the house for the order of the day. The House then resolved itself into a committee, and took up the Florida War, which they continued to debate all day, when the House adjourned. The members are all heartily tired of the Seed Bill, and are anxious to get rid of it, but it is the opinion of most of them that no adjournment will take place till June.

The Senate on Friday was occupied the most of the day on the report of the committee on the Seed Contract, the disagreement of the House and Senate, upon the bill authorizing the president to contract for the seed name or appoint their officers during the recess. King of Georgia, the most unexceptionable gentleman all day, and left off farther from agreeing than when they commenced. Mr. Calhoun was with his usual energy, Mr. Buchanan with his usual good sense, and Mr. Fenton with his usual ability.

Mr. Hayne, who is one of the gentleman was mistaken, but no such expression was contained in the resolutions, but founding their calculations on the premise themselves, the committee had stated that the resolutions would open the doors for the slaves of the were women, and it is generally supposed that a committee would be appointed to report a bill.

Mr. Wise rose to address the House. As so former debate he considered the question as the eye of the thickest of the fight, so wherever there is anything like excitement, there Mr. Wise was sure to be in the midst of it. He was in such a storm that I could almost imagine I felt the motion of the vessel—I felt as if I complained of the whole, and commencing himself as the pilot, he was dead and he got the better of him, and he was dead, declared that no man in said district, should be allowed to attend, or take any part at their proceedings. He considered this explanation necessary, as he was the report purported to have been agreed to unanimously.

The Senate on one part of the report from which he entirely dissented. From the reading of the report, he thought it was set forth that the disbursements were low, and their efforts insignificant. In this he did not concur with the committee. He must contend that it was believed there were large numbers of abolitionists, and that they were increasing. That feeling was with him the usual enemy, Mr. Buchanan with his usual good sense, and Mr. Fenton with his usual ability.

After some time, the Senate determined to count on the resolutions, and ask for another conference.

Messrs Calhoun, King of A. and Nicholas were appointed on the part of the Senate.

The Indian appropriation bill was then read a third time and passed. The bill making appropriations for the Army was read a 2nd time and referred. The Senate after going into Executive business, adjourned.

On Saturday the Senate received a message from the House agreeing to a committee of conference—Mr. My letter is so very long that I cannot give any particulars, only I gather from it, that the report is more favorable than one agreed, and the House and Senate have accepted their modifications with a very few unimportant clause, and have both concurred in it.

Mr. Preston Brooks Hill crawled out of a little further to day, at last there being no quorum the Senate adjourned.

In the House, on Monday, the Kentucky resolutions were taken up, as if it had been a retrograde day, were laid on the table. The Fortification Bill was then taken up in committee of the whole. Mr. Mercer resumed his remarks, and warned to-day with a review of the Seed Bill, and a speech of Mr. Wise, a member of Mr. Van Buren. The gentleman talked a long time, but I did not hear a sentence connected with anything. He made the bullet use of his power as a speaker to declare, that he had never heard the man spoken so badly, and called names like an Irish mob. Among others, he attacked Mr. Whittier. Now, I am not acquainted with that gentleman personally, and have not the honour of his acquaintance, but as I set out to write the truth smartishly, I will say, that since Mr. *Adams*, who is the only man I know of in politics, from a disagreement of his principles, has been proved guilty unintentionally, no doubt) of the same mistake; I believe that Mr. Whittier is one of the gentlemen in the House (with the exception, perhaps, of Mr. Wise) who would not be ashamed to own that he had taken agent. After dwelling on the distance banks I believe, some time, he gave way to Mr. Pickens, Mr. Pickens pounced upon the speech of Mr. Clay, thinking he had a right to pounce upon it, as it was a public document, a most corrupt act of which, than the party now in power, never existed! He "fell on Amock" at every body in this way, among the rest, he attacked Mr. Mercer (who had spoken some days before speaking) and reproached the principles brought forward by him, as being those of the Federal party, and that they were abominable, to any thing more than they actually possessed. Mr. Mercer replied in a few words, and the House resolved the committee till there was no quorum, and the committee rose and reported the bill to the House—so the House thought it best to adjourn, and the House followed suit. Mr. Mercer moved to adjournment, and while they were calling the yeas and nays, the whole affair was terminated, so the speaker descended to a level with the House. Mr. Mercer, I believe, was not interrupted at some removed the mace, which by the way transpires like nearly a load a-beside, and Mr. Pickens continued his speech. He continued speaking till eight o'clock in the evening, then he was tired out, and put off the remainder, and concluded.

I can hear nothing new—every body is talking about Texas. Mr. or Dr. White, who was the hero a short time since, now wears a very subordinate part in the newspapers. Mr. Hannegan and Lieutenant Sounder, who have acted so gallant a part, have been rewarded by the President, one by a commission in the army, and the other by a commission in the navy. Mr. Wise, we believe, has not yet received his reward.

The President is in good health and spirit, able, and for ought I know, willing to undertake a third term of Presidency, or a campaign against the Americans.

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Saving Fund Society.—The Northern Saving Fund Society, corner of Third and Spruce streets, will be open on Tuesday, the 31st inst. at the office, No. 276 North Third, below Green street.

MARRIAGES.

On Tuesday evening, the 17th inst. by the Rev. W. Wilson, Mr. Wm. Bell, Sen. to Miss Mary Ann Wright.

On Tuesday, 24th inst. by the Rev. W. Douglass, Mr. James D. Bonner, of North Carolina, to Miss Mary C. daughter of Robert Bogle, of this city.

On Monday morning, 23d inst. by the Rev. Dr. Ely, Mr. Edward Hedbery, to Miss Mary Jane Kennard, both of this city.

On Monday evening, May 23d, by the Rev. Thos. Brainerd, Benj. R. Loomis, merchant, of New York, to Georgiana, daughter of George Wolf.

In Charleston, S. C. on Wednesday evening, by the Rev. Mr. Edward Kennedy, William F. Symons, of Philadelphia, to Sarah, second daughter of John Thompson, Esq.

On Monday evening, 23d inst. by the Rev. James Abercrombie, J. Evans Johnson, of Virginia, to Mary M. daughter of John Swift, Esq. of Philadelphia.

On Tuesday morning, 24th inst. by the Rev. Dr. Magaw, Mr. Joseph Mitchell, to Miss Mary Ann, eldest daughter of Mr. John Morris, Esq. all of this city.

On Thursday morning, May 26th, by the Rev. T. J. Kirk, Mr. Thomas Dunlap, to Miss Martha Ann Hutchinson, both of this city.

On Monday morning, 23d inst. by the Rev. Dr. Copeland, Mr. Edward Suddenly, to Miss Mary Jane Kinsland, both of this city.

On Thursday, the 26th of April, by the Rev. R. E. Kemp, Robert Bessor, to Miss Mary Ann Dowdall, both of Nottingham, Chester co. Pa.

On Thursday, the 19th inst. by the same, Wm. Reynolds, to Sarah Barlow, all of Lower Chichester, Del. co. Pa.

On the 16th inst. by the Rev. Edwin L. James, Mr. William Hall, of Boston, to Miss Margaret Ann Wilcox, all of Brockley, Pa.

DEATHS.

On the 23d inst. Mrs. Joanna Chrisine, of the N. E. part of the city, in the 72d year of her age.

On Sunday evening, the 22d inst. in the 81st year of her age, Rebecca Mitchell, relict of the late Samuel Oakford, of the District of Southwark.

On Monday morning, 23d inst. Mrs. Sarah Holmbold, in the 51st year of her age.

On Monday morning, the 22d, Samuel S. Goggins, in the 32d year of his age.

On Wednesday, 25th inst. in the 72d year of her age, Mrs. Jacobina Hollermann.

On Monday morning, 24th inst. Mr. George I. Seneor, of Buffalo, N. Y. and formerly of Northumberland, Eng. aged 44 years.

In this city on Sunday morning, 22d inst. in the 21st year of her age, Adelaide M'Neil, of West-Lexington county, N. Y. and lately resident at Jefferson College Louisiana.

On first day morning, of an effection of the heart, John Mc. M. D. aged 68 years.

At Germantown, on the morning of the 21st inst. after a lingering illness, Mr. William Mack, in the 61st year of his age. Mr. Mack was a native of Manchester England, and has resided in this country for many years. He was a member of the Society of Friends, and has left a large family to mourn their loss.

On Tuesday morning, 24th inst. after a lingering illness, Mrs. Sarah, wife of Wm. Bowen, and second daughter of Cato Collins, in the 36th year of her age.

On Sunday morning, 22d inst. Mrs. Mary P. Jenkins, in the 69th year of her age.

On the 24th inst. Mr. Samuel Arnant daughter of Peter J. Van Hall, aged 6 months.

On Monday afternoon, 23d inst. Mary P. daughter of William and Mary Chonen, aged 6 months.

On Tuesday morning, 24th inst. at the residence of Isaac Leech in Kingsessing Township, Lucy Bellinger, in the 84th year of her age.

To Physicians and Students.

THE Anatomical Rooms of the subscriber, in Minor street, above Chestnut, will be opened on Monday next, and continued, in Philadelphia, by Capt. Lee & Rancher, during the season.

Capt. Lee is a native of Philadelphia, and has been a practical anatomist for upwards of 18 years, in this and other cities, and is well known to the profession as a gentleman of skill and experience in his profession. He has been engaged in the business for many years, and having a very limited acquaintance, wants no introduction to the profession, but refers to the many gentlemen of this and other cities, with whom he has been associated in the practice of anatomy, for a knowledge of his qualifications, as teacher and demonstrator of anatomy. Capt. Lee has been for many years connected with the Medical Institutions of the United States, and has had the charge of the Anatomical Rooms of the Medical Institutions of Philadelphia, Baltimore, Washington City, Virginia, Kentucky, Ohio, Tennessee, Louisiana, and Mississippi, and has given entire satisfaction to the Professors of those Institutions, as regards the supply of subjects, and the manner of conducting the business of the Rooms. Capt. Lee has also been connected with the Medical Institutions of Cuba, and has had the charge of the Anatomical Rooms of the Medical Institutions of the United States.—Students can depend on the strictest attention to their interests.

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Variety's the spice of Life,
That gives it all its flavour.

SENATORIAL POETRY.—Our "green and revered Sapient" seems to rise the more.—The following beautiful and feeling lines were written by the wife of Senator and warm statesman, the Honourable John Holmes, Esq. of Maine, as honour in the annals of Congressional eloquence as a patriot and friend of Liberty, during all the last war. Now in his jovial old age, looking around his "many pots" she gives us of poetry—preserving his universal compassionate conquered and mourner by sons, and all devoting his life to the public weal, though filling only the humble position of a member of the lower legislative house of his native state. —*N. Y. Star.*

From the Portland Courier.

The following lines were written by Mr. Holmes of Alfred, and sung in full chorus in the house of Representatives after the adjournment.

When Legislators come to pass,
They cheerfully incline,
They recollect with grateful heart
The "days of auld lang syne."

Tho' fierce debates and party strife,
To chill our hearts, combine,
A parting thought will bring to life
The days of auld lang syne.

Then arm in arm, old friends and our Friends
Wake up one sweet strain,
When sweet reflection o'er ascends
To auld lang syne.

We fly away on wings of love,
And all our thoughts combining
To re-unite and thus improve
The days of auld lang syne.

When we around the sound board
In pledge of friendship join,
We take the cup and pass the word
To auld lang syne.

And when our waves shall cheer our love
With rapture more divine;
We'll here engage to end the pledge
To auld lang syne.

And when the last shall fill the glass,
We'll cheerfully incline
To kee the lip that takes the sip
To auld lang syne.

SPEAKING A BARGAIN.—An Irishman stepped up to the bar of one of our hotels, and inquired of the landlord how much he asked for a dinner. "Half a crown sir," he replied. "And how much for a breakfast?" "Turn-penny, sir," said the landlord. "And supper?" "Half a crown sir," said the landlord. "And supper?" "Half a crown sir," said the landlord. "And supper?" "Half a crown